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Latvian state scholarships and fellowships, as well as the initiative *Study in Latvia* is administrated by the State Education Development Agency in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Science.

### Latvian state scholarships and fellowships

Detailed information about Latvian state scholarships and fellowships on the website of the agency: [www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships](http://www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships)

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### Study in Latvia

Find a study programme and a university in Latvia on the website [www.studyinlatvia.lv](http://www.studyinlatvia.lv). It is a national level website, official information resource and national guide for international students.

It provides:

- Information about the higher education in Latvia, university entry requirements, admission steps, tuition fees, and practical information about life in Latvia.
- A searchable database with a list of universities and study programmes.

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# Study Latvia



## LATVIAN STATE SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

## OVERALL CONDITIONS

- Latvian state scholarships are available for studies, and fellowships - for research.
- A scholarship can be received by Bachelor's, Master's and PhD students for studies.
- A fellowship can be received by scientific and academic staff for conducting research.
- Citizens from about 40 countries can apply.
- Each applicant can submit only one application on an open call.

### Language of instruction

- English, German, Latvian or another EU language.

### The academic year in Latvia

- From 1st September to 30th June (in exceptional cases dates may vary).

### Financial provisions

- Studies in Latvia are not free of charge in foreign languages. An average tuition fee ranges from €1,600 to €4,000 per year. For medicine or executive business programmes the cost may be up to €15,000 per year.
- Scholarships do not fully cover all the expenses related to your studies (tuition fee, living costs, and other expenses).
- Scholarships and fellowships cannot be awarded concurrently with other grants.
- Travel expenses from a home country to Latvia and back are not covered by Latvian state scholarships or fellowships.
- A scholarship or fellowship holder is required to make his own arrangements for the insurance coverage.
- A fellowship covers accommodation and daily allowance.

## APPLICATION

- A call for applications is open annually from **1st February to 1st April**.
- The application process takes place online in the electronic application system at <https://scholarships.viaa.gov.lv>.
- The application process is managed by the State Education Development Agency.

### Application process step by step

An applicant:

**1** Makes a profile with a unique login and password



**2** Fills in an application form according to the set criteria\*



**3** Attaches all the necessary application documents (translated in Latvian or English)



**4** Submits the application by the deadline of the call



**5** Receives an official decision on the award of the scholarship or fellowship by e-mail in June, and the decision is available in the candidate's profile of the electronic application system



*\*Incomplete and incorrect applications are not assessed.*

# SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDIES

## Eligible applicants

- Bachelor's students, who have already successfully completed at least 1 academic year at any higher education institution (HEI).
- Master's or PhD students from any previous HEI.

## Application conditions

- An applicant must choose a study programme at a Latvian HEI prior to the application for a scholarship.
- An applicant must receive a letter of acceptance for the chosen study programme from the Latvian HEI prior to the application for a scholarship.
- An applicant, who is already studying at a Latvian HEI, should also receive the letter of acceptance for the present or chosen study programme prior to the application for a scholarship.
- The letter of acceptance for the chosen study programme from a Latvian HEI needs to be provided by the designated contact person\*.

## Awarded time period



Up to 10 months

for Bachelor's and Master's students



Up to 11 months

for PhD students

! A scholarship holder can re-apply for a scholarship for another study year, but the scholarship can be awarded for no more than 2 consecutive terms to one scholarship holder.

! The scholarship shall not be granted for such month when the recipient of the scholarship studies at the institution of higher education for less than 15 calendar days.

## Amount of the scholarship



€ 500 per month

for Bachelor's and Master's students



€ 670 per month

for PhD students

\* The list of contact persons of Latvian HEI can be found at: [www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships](http://www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships)

## Application documents for scholarships for studies

1

### COPY OF A LETTER BY THE HEI

Contact the specified HEI contact person to compile the letter. See the list of contact persons of Latvian HEIs on the the web.

2

### CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

Contact the specified HEI contact person to compile the letter. Use the Europass template.

3

### LETTER OF MOTIVATION

Include activities outside studies related to the study field in Latvia or in the home country.

4

### PROOF OF EDUCATION

Diploma and supplements or transcript of records of the last 2 semesters.

5

### LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Copies of two letters of recommendation from academic staff members, signed within the last 6 months.

6

### STUDY PLAN

Find the study plan form on the web.

7

### COPY OF LANGUAGE CERTIFICATE

Other document certifying the language proficiency required for studies suits as well.

8

### COPY OF ID OR PASSPORT

! Have all the documents translated into Latvian or English before the submission.

# FELLOWSHIPS FOR RESEARCH

## Eligible applicants

- Academic and scientific staff of Latvian or foreign higher education and research institutions.

## Application conditions

- An applicant must receive a letter of acceptance for the field of the research from the Latvian HEI or research institution prior to the application for fellowship.
- The letter of acceptance for the field of the research from the Latvian HEI or research institution needs to be provided by the designated contact person\*.

## Awarded time period

 From 14 days up to 5 months

- ! If a fellowship holder is not present in Latvia for more than 14 consecutive days, then fellowship is revoked for the respective period.

## Amount of the scholarship

 € 30 per day

Daily allowance

 € 300 per month

For accommodation

## Application documents for fellowships for research

- 1** COPY OF A LETTER BY THE HEI OR RESEARCH INSTITUTION  
See the list of contact persons of Latvian HEIs on the web.
- 2** CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)  
Add list of academic publications. Use the Europass template.
- 3** RESEARCH PLAN
- 4** LETTER OF MOTIVATION
- 5** PROOF OF QUALIFICATION  
Copy of most recent HEI qualification and diploma supplement.
- 6** LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION  
From one academic staff member of HEI or reaserch institution, signed within the last three months.
- 7** RESEARCH RELEVANCE  
Copy of a substantiation of the research relevance by the research supervisor of the Latvian higher education institution or research institution.
- 8** COPY OF ID OR PASSPORT  
! Have all the documents translated into Latvian or English before the submission.

## ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES

Eligible countries are more than 40 countries, which have signed an agreement on the co-operation in education and science with Latvia, or other partner countries.

### North America

- The United States of America
- Mexico

### South America

- Peru

### Europe

- Italy
- Spain
- Belgium (Wallonia and Brussels)
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Finland
- Ukraine
- France
- Poland
- Austria

- Germany
- Slovakia
- Czech Republic
- Greece
- Sweden
- Denmark
- Hungary
- Lithuania
- Switzerland
- Estonia
- Iceland
- Norway

### Asia

- Turkey
- Israel
- Georgia
- Azerbaijan
- Kazakhstan
- Uzbekistan
- Tajikistan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Moldova
- Turkmenistan
- Mongolia
- The People's Republic of China
- Japan
- South Korea
- Indonesia
- Vietnam